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New Census Records Find “Lost” Daughter

By Ron Malan

Brother Cena has succeeded in locating Waldensian “census” records, just loose papers at the State Archives in Torino. They are titled “Bocche Umana”—literally, “Human Mouths,” referring to how many people the head of the family had to support, and therefore indicating how much he could be taxed.

Modern census records are made every 10 years, but Waldensian census rolls were made only when the Duke of Savoy needed to generate additional money—or when an unusually good harvest meant the people had more money and the Duke wanted more of it. Most of the records are for 1628, 1698, and 1700.

The power and usefulness of surviving Waldensian records continues to astound me. The 1700 “census” for San Giovanni includes a previously unknown daughter of Bartholomeo Malan (brother to one of my ancestors) and his third wife, Catherine Alette. This girl apparently died before the parish registers were again kept (1710) and was born after the return from Exile, so the notary records and the exile records also make no mention her.

That 1700 San Giovanni “census” lists Bartholomeo son of deceased Guglielmino Malan, Catterina (his wife), Maria, Catterina, and Stefano (children). Catterina (Catherine) and Stefano (Etienne) show up later in acts in the parish registers, but this is the only source we have found naming Maria. Her ordinances are in progress, *and I have felt the profound gratitude of those in the Spirit World* that she finally “belongs” to the family—eternally.

We can be grateful that Brother Cena found these loose papers and made the effort to organize them enough to be able to report the results to us. It is another example of how attentive and proficient he’s been all these years!

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More on the FAVAT Line of Marthe Marie TOURN, Wife of Philippe CARDON

By Boyd L. Cardon

BACKGROUND: *Gli Esuli Valdense in Svizzera 1686-1690 [The Waldensian Exiles in Switzerland]* page 92 includes **Susanne FAVAT** (Exile #1232) born 1676, our direct ancestor; her father, **Philippe FAVAT** (# 1229) born 1648, her mother, **Constance** (# 1230) born 1656, and her siblings Michel (# 1231) born 1675, Henri (# 1233) born 1678, Jean (# 1234) born 1680, and Madeleine (# 1235) born 1686. In the notary records **Favat** is spelled *Favette, Fatatto, Favato, Favoto, Favot, Favodo*.

Sources: Piedmont Project microfilms (Controlled Extration family group records based on parish registers), the notary record abstracts (by Giovanni Cena), and work done by Ron Malan to extend the FAVAT line.

Key: An entry like: (Villar Pellice 208: 148) indicates the notary record place, volume, page; *name = temple work done.

*****PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT ANY OF THE UNMARKED NAMES FOR TEMPLE WORK!*****

Ahnentafel Chart for Susanne FAVAT

1. ***Susanne FAVAT** b 1676 of Villar Pellice, Torino, Piemonte, Italy md ***Jacques DURAND** abt 1711. They had *9 children as per Piedmont Project microfilm 193,395 pages 2 and 3 in my possession. Susanne would have been about 56 years old when she delivered her last child in 1732.
2. ***Philippe FAVAT** b 1648 of Villar Pellice; a religious prisoner at Fossano in 1686, then exile in Switzerland; died before 27 June 1695. (Villar Pellice 208:148); *Gli Esuli* page 92, as noted above.
3. ***Constanza MICHELIN** b 1656 of Bobbio Pellice (Villar Pellice 205: 243), md abt 1674; 5 children: Michel b 1675 md Anna ODOUL-ROLAND abt 1699 (Torre Pellice 173:163), **Suzanne above**, b 1676, Henry b 1678 md Susanna ODOUL-ROLAND abt 1702 (Villar Pellice 211:15R), Jean b 1680 abt 1704 md Gioanna ROETO (Bobbio 133:5), and Madeleine b 1686; all born in Villar Pellice. After Philippe died, she married (2) Giacomo CAMBRINO b abt 1660 in Ormea, Cuneo, Piemonte (Villar Pellice 210:23).
4. ***Gioanni FAVAT** b abt 1615 of Villar Pellice, died before 1695.
5. ***Susanna BONJOUR** b abt 1619 of Villar Pellice, md by 1639 (Villar Pellice 194 bk2:19); five sons: **Philippe 1648**, Daniele b abt 1650 md Anna CHAMBON abt 1674 and died before Nov. 1678, Pietro b abt 1652, Gioanni b abt 1654, Paulo b abt 1654 . (Villar Pellice 204: 226); all born Villar Pellice.
6. ***Michele MICHELIN** b abt 1601 of Bobbio Pellice, Torino, Piemonte, Italy; will dated 20 Mar 1675; md (2) Mrs. Michele MICHELIN; md (3) Maddalena NEGRIN, dead before 1675, by whom he had Anna, a minor in 1675; other spouses: (2)Mrs. Michele MICHILN b abt 1622 md abt 1642; (3) Maddalena NEGRIN md abt 1660 all of Bobbio Pellice.
7. ***Susanna FALACIAN** b abt 1605 of Bobbio Pellice, (Bobbio 128:31; Bobbio 130: 93), md abt 1625, d abt 1641; 9 children: *Stefano b abt 1626 md *Maddalena GRAS; *Pietro b abt 1627 d before 1675; *Gioanni b abt 1629 md abt 1653 *Anna GEYMONAT; *Maria b abt 1631 md abt 1651 *Paolo GRAS; *Gudit b abt 1633 md abt 1655 *Paulo CAIRUS; * Maddalena b abt 1637 md abt 1655 *Antonio ROSTAGNOL; *Ester b abt 1639 md abt 1559 *Gioanni REYNAUDIN; *Davide b abt 1641 md abt 1655 *Susanna FERRIER (FERRO); **Constanza** b 1656.

8. **Filippo FAVAT** b abt 1580 of Villar Pellice.
9. **Mrs. Filippo FAVAT** b abt 1584 of Villar Pellice; md abt 1604.
10. **Daniel BONJOUR** b abt 1591 of Torre Pellice; d bef 19 Apr 1658 (*19 notary acts*).
11. **Madalena REYMONDET** b abt 1593 Torre Pellice; had children Anna b abt 1621, Giovanni b abt 1623, and Samuelle b abt 1625 all of Villar Pellice.
12. ***Stefano MICHELIN** b abt 1564 of Bobbio Pellice, d abt 3 Oct 1629; md (1) abt 1588 Mrs. Stefano MICHELIN b abt 1568.
13. ***Ester MEILLE** b abt 1582 of Bobbio Pellice; md (as 2nd wife) abt 1600.
14. ***Pietro FALACIAN** b abt 1576 of Bobbio Pellice.
15. ***Mrs. Maria FALACIAN** b abt 1580 of Bobbio Pellice, d abt 1600, had sons *Giovanni b abt 1609 of Bobbio Pellice, md abt 1633 *Mrs Giovanni FALACIAN; and Giuseppe b abt 1611 both of Bobbio Pellice (Bobbio 128:31).
20. ***Giovanni BONJOUR** b abt 1564 of Bobbio Pellice (*8 notary acts*).
21. ***Susanna MONDON** b abt 1568 of Bobbio Pellice; md abt 1588.
22. ***Samuele REYMONDET** b abt 1569 of Torre Pellice, d aft 1623 (*7 notary acts*).
23. ***Maria MONDON** b abt 1573 of Torre Pellice, d aft 1628; md abt 1592.
24. ***Michele MICHELIN** b abt 1533 of Bobbio Pellice.
25. ***Mrs. Maria MICHELIN** b abt 1543 of Bobbio Pellice.
26. ***Filippo MEILLE** b abt 1553 of Bobbio Pellice, d bet 1616-1619 (Meille Family History, Waldensian Archives).
27. ***Mrs Filippo MEILLE** b abt 1557 of Bobbio Pellice, d abt 1582, md abt 1577.
40. ***Reymondo BONJOUR** b abt 1537 of Bobbio Pellice, d bef 5 Feb 1619 (*4 notary acts*).
41. ***Mrs. Reymondo BONJOUR** b abt 1541 of Bobbio Pellice; md abt 1561.
42. ***Giovanni MONDON** b abt 1544 of Bobbio Pellice; d bef 19 Mar 1622 (*4 notary acts*).
43. ***Mrs. Giovanni MONDON** b abt 1548 of Bobbio Pellice, md abt 1568.
44. ***Giovanni REYMONDET** b abt 1542 of Torre Pellice, d bef 1614 (*5 notary acts*).
45. ***Mrs. Giovanni REYMONDET** b abt 1546 of Torre Pellice; md abt 1566.

46. ***Giacobo MONDON** b abt 1542 of Torre Pellice (Torre Pellice 148, 1614: 101; & also :107R & 110).
 47. ***Mrs. Maddalena MONDON** b abt 1546 of Torre Pellice, md abt 1566.
 48. ***Giacomo MICHELIN** b abt 1508 of Bobbio Pellice.
 49. ***Mrs. Giacomo Michelin** b abt 1512 of Bobbio Pellice, md abt 1532.
 52. ***Giacomo MEILLE** b abt 1526 of Bobbio Pellice, d bef 1613.
 53. ***Mrs. Giacomo MEILLE** b abt 1530 of Bobbio Pellice, md abt 1550.
 88. ***Gullielmino REYMONDET** b abt 1515 of Torre Pellice (Villar Pellice 212: 54).
 89. ***Mrs. Gullielmino REYMONDET** b abt 1519 of Torre Pellice; md abt 1539.
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The Challenging Life of Survivors of the Extermination and Exile

By Ron Malan

As I work in the notary records (and other sources), I'm regularly amazed at the challenges our ancestors and their families faced—and surmounted. That was impressed upon me once again as I recently searched a Turin family, one member of which married the brother of a Malan ancestor, Pierre Sarret of San Giovanni (different from the Sarrets of the Upper Valleys).

In 1697 the survivors of the extermination attempt and subsequent exile who had returned to the Valleys were required to appear before the Duke's emissaries with two witnesses to reclaim their ancestral inheritances. The claims show that this family consisted of six children of Gioanni (French: Jean) Turin and his wife Susanna; the Exile records provide birth years for most of them: the father Jean 1635, his wife Susanne Muston 1638, and the children Anne 1661, Pierre 1666, Paul 1673, Jean 1678, and Daniel 1682.

The Claims depositions state that Pierre was serving in the Duke's cavalry company from Luserna; that their parents both died in 1692 (undoubtedly due in part to the rigors of the imprisonment and forced march during the winter into exile); and that their sister Maria was married to a marksman whose last name the family didn't know. The notary records soon reveal his name and that he was dead by 1700. The circumstances in these acts indicate that Maria would have been among the teenage girls seized in 1686 and required to marry as soon as she was old enough a "good Catholic" man so that her children would be "properly" raised.

In February 1698, those siblings were required to acknowledge their indebtedness to a certain Lorenzo Parander and in July he pressed for payment. That suggests that the family had been unable to pay their taxes for at least part of the time since the death of their parents. In 1700 they had to sell some of their property. That diminished the "marriage settlement" (dowry) they would have available to attract desirable suitors for their children.

Such circumstances were not unusual among the Waldensians of the time, and help explain why historians refer to the long period of time following their return as the "Waldensian Ghetto." They were forbidden by law from moving from their native valleys and were taxed more heavily than their non-Waldensian neighbors.

The full ancestry of the family is being added to Family Tree, with Sources; please do not duplicate this effort.